

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 9, 10, 12-16, and 18-26 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, Applicants amend the specification and Claims 9, 10, 13-16, 19, and 20, cancel Claims 11 and 17, and add new Claims 21-26.

The specification was objected to for containing a minor informality. Applicants have amended the specification to correct the minor informality noted by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection.

Claims 10, 11, 16, and 17 were objected to for containing minor informalities. Applicants have canceled Claims 11 and 17 and amended Claims 10 and 16 to correct the minor informalities noted by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection.

Claims 15-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for allegedly being indefinite. Applicants have canceled Claim 17 and amended Claims 15 and 16 to correct the informalities contained therein. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Claims 9, 12, 15, and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Erickson (U.S. 5,054,114) or Todoroki et al. (JP 3-32118) in view of Chigodo et al. (U.S. 5,473,293). Claims 10, 13, 16, and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Erickson or Todoroki et al. in view of Chigodo et al., and further in view of Fukushima et al. (IEEE article "A Study of SAW Antenna Duplexer For Mobile Application").

Applicants have amended Claims 9 and 15 to include the features recited in allowable Claims 11 and 17, respectively. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection of Claims 9, 12, 15, and 18 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Erickson or Todoroki et al. in view of Chigodo et al. and the rejection of Claims 10, 13, 16, and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Erickson or Todoroki et al. in view of Chigodo et al., and further in view of Fukushima et

al. are moot.

New independent Claims 21-23 recite features that are similar to the features recited in Claim 9, including the feature of "at least one inductor for eliminating an electrostatic surge being provided between the transmission circuit terminal and a capacitor provided adjacent to the transmission circuit terminal." Since none of Erickson, Todoroki et al., Chigodo et al., and Fukushima et al. teaches or suggests an inductor for eliminating electrostatic surge that is provided between the transmission circuit terminal and a capacitor provided adjacent to the transmission circuit terminal, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 21-23 are allowable over the prior art of record.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 9, 15, and 21-23 are allowable. Claims 10, 12-14, 16, 18-20, and 24-26 depend upon Claims 9, 15, and 21-23, and are therefore allowable for at least the reasons that Claims 9, 15, and 21-23 are allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are solicited.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition the Commissioner for a Two-Month Extension of Time, extending to September 25, 2006 (September 24, 2006 falls on a Sunday), the period for response to the Office Action dated April 24, 2006.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

Respectfully submitted,

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